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PORT ARTHUR PHYSICIAN SENTENCED FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

(Beaumont, Texas) A 62-year-old Port Arthur Physician was sentenced for sexually exploiting minor children and possessing child pornography in the Eastern District of Texas. **WILSON LOCKE LYNCH**, **JR**. was sentenced to 68 months in federal prison by United States District Judge Ron Clark late yesterday.

Matthew D. Orwig, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Texas, praised the efforts of the Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents for their tireless efforts in bringing this individual to justice, "Child pornography is a serious matter that will be aggressively prosecuted regardless of the profession or social status of the individual. Dr. Lynch will now spend the next 68 months in federal prison for his actions."

According to information presented in court, in May 2003, authorities received information that child pornography had been distributed to an individual in Port Arthur. An investigation revealed the recipient of the computer files was Lynch, a practicing physician in Port Arthur. A search of Lynch's home and office revealed he also possessed computers and computer files with additional child pornography and a hidden camera located in the examination room of his office. According to the

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investigation, Lynch used this hidden camera to secretly videotape sessions with certain patients. According to investigators, all of those patients have been identified and notified of the incidents. It was also revealed that when Lynch became aware of the investigation, he destroyed certain items to prevent their discovery by investigators.

Lynch pleaded guilty to charges of receiving child pornography, possession of child pornography, possession of an illegal interception device (hidden video camera) and obstruction of justice on May 19, 2005.

The case was investigated by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Randall L. Fluke.

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